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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: NAM SUMMIT: COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER COMMENTS ON TURKEY IN NAM.

- 1. COMMUNIST PARTY, MOSCOW-WING VERNACULAR NEWSPAPER "ATHTHA" AUGUST 16 CARRIED FOLLOWING SMALL ITEM HEADED "DOOR CLOSED FOR TURKEY?" FOR NO APPARENT REASON: QUOTE. THE FOREIGN MINISTERS VEHEMENTLY OPPOSED THE PROPOSAL BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE DELEGATES OF SAUDIARABIA TO ADMIT TURKEY, A MEMBER OF THE IMPERIALIST MILITARY ORGANIZATION NATO, TO THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT. MOST OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS WERE OF OPINION THAT IF MEMBERSHIP WAS GRANTED TO TURKEY, THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT ALSO WILL BECOME A MILITARY ORGANIZATION. UNQUOTE.
- 2. AS "ATHTHA" SELDOM STRAYS FROM THE PARTY LINE WE PRESUME ITEM REFLECTS SOVIET VIEWPOINT ALSO. PUZZLING IS WHY PORTUGAL'S RECENT ADMISSION AS GUEST TO NAM SUMMIT APPARENTLY IS NOT EXPECTED TO HAVE SAME AFFECT AS TURKEY'S ADMISSION MIGHT HAVE IN TURNING NAM INTO MILITARY ORGANIZATION.

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